<u>Department of Public Instruction (DPI) Teacher Assistant</u> (assigned to classroom for educational support)

By agreement between the Division of Child Development and Early Education and the Department of Public Instruction, education verification without proof by receipt of official transcripts is only valid if form DCDEE.0171 is completed by the Principal of the School or the Superintendent of the School System and attested to by the signature of that person. If the program is not located in a school, the Superintendent of the School System is required to complete and sign this form. No other person in any other position is authorized to sign this form.

Applicant Signature

In order for us to evaluate your education, you will need to submit official transcripts showing all the course work you have completed at this time. (We cannot evaluate from a grade report, copy, unofficial student copy, copy of a diploma, or computer printout.)

OR

Principal or the school system superintendent signature

Upload an appropriately signed (by either the principal or the school system superintendent) NCDCDEE Public School Preschool Staff Education <u>form</u> for Teacher/Teacher Assistant with the information about the public school you are currently employed and a copy of your official college transcript(s) showing any early childhood course work or degrees.

NOTE: If form DCDEE.0171 is not appropriately signed by the Principal of the School or Superintendent of the School System, the applicant must sign the application and submit official transcripts and a copy of any applicable DPI license for the evaluation process to proceed.

Minimum requirements: 18 years old and have attained a high school diploma

Enhanced requirements: NCECC or its equivalent

All Teachers and Teacher Assistants who have not attained (or who are in the process of attaining) the above license(s) or certification(s) must submit a copy of their college level transcripts. Such individuals may be contacted to submit additional information in order for the evaluation to be completed.

*We will only accept standard licenses. Provisional Pre-K/K Add-On or B-K licenses require copies of official transcripts to be submitted for education verification.

Copies of official transcripts must be uploaded for ALL completed college level coursework, certificates, diplomas and/or degrees Please do not upload copies of in-service training documentation as these are not considered college coursework. Photocopies, student or internet copies and grade reports are NOT accepted.

Only copies of official transcripts from post-secondary schools which are accredited will be evaluated Accredited is defined as an institution of higher education having nationally recognized regional accreditation by one of the six regional accrediting agencies. (For schools outside the U.S.A., the recognized system of the specified country's accreditation process will be accepted).

To be qualified for a position, you must meet the minimum education requirements in this section for each child care position selected. Upload copies of official transcripts and/or any qualifying certificates, such as a BSAC or a nationally accredited credential certificate. The nationally accredited credential certificate must meet the following criteria: 1)Nationally accredited and available in all 50 states, 2) Comprehensive in scope which is inclusive of the following six areas: child growth and development; professionalism; health and safety; creation of appropriate environments that enhance physical, emotional, social and cognitive development; developmentally appropriate learning activities; and working with families, 3) 120 clock (contact) hours of education and/or training, 4) Formal observation and/or portfolio assessment, 5) Standardized written assessment, and 6) Individually earned.